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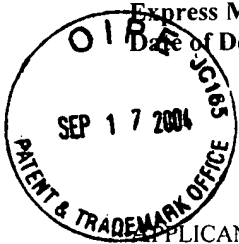
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This paper is in response to the August 17, 2004 Office Communication in connection with the above-referenced application. Please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Applicants believe that no fees are due, however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21402-230 (Cura 530).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.



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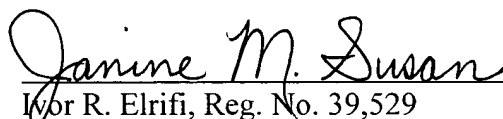
Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Response to August 17, 2004 Office Communication (6 pages); and
2. Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0311 Ref. No.: 21402-230 (Cura 530). A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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